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STATUS INQUIRY

We are in receipt of a letter, dated July 24, 1998, from the United States Food and Drug Administration to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, which advises that the FDA has determined that BeneFIX [recombinant human Factor IX protein] is a product which was subject to a regulatory review period, and is therefore eligible for patent term extension. However, we have not seen publication of a notice in the Federal Register of such determination, nor have we received any further communication from either the FDA or the PTO.

The Applicants respectfully request information regarding the status of the present application for patent term extension. The Advisor is invited to contact the attorney listed below.

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